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SUBJECT: ALLEGED CIA PLOT IN MAURITIUS AND REUNION

1. AFP WIRE SERVICE APRIL 28 ITEM 017 CARRIED STATEMENT MADE IN REUNION APRIL 27 BY PAUL VERGES, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF REUNION, TO MEETING OF PCR THAT HE HAD DISCOVERED A CIA PLOT AGAINST HIM AND PAUL BERENGER OF MAURITIAN MILITANT MOVEMENT (MMM). ACCORDING TO VERGES, ON MARCH 30 FOUR PROFESSIONAL KILLERS UNDER COVER OF THE TEAMSTERS UNION OF AMERICA MET IN GRANDE GAUBE IN MAURITIUS TO PLAN AN ATTACK AGAINST HIM AND BERENGER. VERGES SAYS HE KNOWS THE NAMES OF THE AGENTS AND CIA FRENCH AGENT IN REUNION.

2. GOM EDITORS OF AFP DID NOT CIRCULATE ITEM IN MAURITIUS. HOWEVER, IT IS SURE TO SURFACE HERE FROM SOURCES IN REUNION AND FRANCE WHERE WE UNDERSTAND IT HAS ALREADY BEEN PICKED UP BY PARIS MATCH.

3. SEEMS ALLEGATION TIMED FOR RELEASE IMMEDIATELY AFTER MASON VISIT AND BEFORE MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS. THIS YEAR
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MMM GIVEN PERMISSION TO HOLD LABOR RALLY MAY 1 IN ADDITION

TO MAURITIUS LABOR PARY CELEBRATIONS. SINCE MMM BADLY IN
NEED OF AN ANTI-IMPERIALIST THEME, THIS CANARD AGAINST
AMERICA AND CIA MAY BE PLAYED UP DURING MAY 1 RALLY. HOW-
EVER HARD TO BELIEVE THAT PUBLIC WILL GIVE MUCH CREDIBILITY
TO CHARGE OF CIA PLOT.
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